

lands was read 2nd time and amended. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A joint resolution in relation to the repeal of all property exemption and property detail laws was read 3rd time and passed.

The report of Judiciary Committee on a bill to amend Article 392 of the Penal Code adversely thereto was adopted.

A bill donating land to Texas soldiers was considered and referred to a Select Committee of seven; whereupon Messrs. Jordan, White, Throckmorton, Weatherford, and Dickson [5] were announced as the Committee.

A bill for relief of pre-emption settlers was read 2nd time and passed to 3rd reading. Rules suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

Resolutions of respect to the memorial of the late Honorable Mark Milton Potter were presented by Mr. Hartley and unanimously adopted. Then the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Senate Chamber, Thursday, November 26, 1863
10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met, prayer by the Chaplain, roll called, quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

The Committee on Public Lands reported adversely to a bill to repeal an act to provide for the sale of lots in the City of Austin.

The Judiciary Committee recommended the passage of the following bills:

A bill to authorize the County Courts to regulate the pay of sheriffs in certain cases.

A bill to amend the 1st Section of an act to regulate proceedings in the District Courts.

A bill to amend the 71st section of an act to regulate proceedings in the County Courts pertaining to estates of deceased persons.

A bill to amend the caption and 1st section of an act relating to forfeitures.

A bill to relieve Carro M. Quarles of the disability of minority and recommend that a joint resolution proposing to amend the State Constitution do not pass.

The Committee on State Affairs recommended the

passage of a substitute for a bill further to prescribe the duties of the Military Board; and recommended the passage of a bill to provide for electing Senators and Representatives to the 11th Legislature for 1865 in counties occupied by the public enemy; also a bill appropriating 20,000 dollars for recovering public buildings with amendments.

The Finance Committee reported a bill to raise 1,000,000 dollars by sale of cotton bonds, etc., and recommended that 1,000,000 dollars be stricken out and 2,000,000 dollars inserted. Report taken up, amendments adopted, and bill passed to 3rd reading.

The following bills were reported correctly engrossed:

A bill further regulating proceedings in the Supreme Court.

A bill to suspend the location and survey of public lands.

The Judiciary Committee reported a substitute for the bill to amend an act concerning wills.

The Committee on County Boundaries reported the following bills and recommended their passage:

A bill defining the county line between Harrison and Marion counties.

Mr. Guinn offered a resolution requesting the Committee on Military Affairs to consider the expediency of so modifying the law in relation to the Frontier Regiment as to place the power in the hands of the Executive to turn it over to the Confederate States Government. Adopted.

Mr. Burney offered a resolution requesting the Committee on Penitentiary to consider the propriety of increasing the bond of the Financial Agent and require him to make return monthly. Adopted.

Mr. Harcourt introduced a bill to amend Article 960 of the Code of Criminal Proceedings. Read 1st time.

Mr. Guinn introduced a bill to repeal the proviso of the 2nd section of an act to provide for defense of the frontier, etc., etc. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Ford introduced a bill to provide for the manufacture of Spinning Jennies. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

A bill to provide for the employment of additional labor in the State Penitentiary was read 2nd time. Amendments of committee adopted, and bill ordered to be en-

grossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A joint resolution in relation to the extension of the Conscript Laws. Report of Committee adversely to its passage was adopted.

A bill to suspend all laws for the collection of debts was read 2nd time and postponed until 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

A bill defining the duties of the Agent of the Alabama Coushatta and Muscogee Indians was read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

The following bills were announced from the House:

A bill respecting guardianships was read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Judiciary Committee.

A bill to incorporate the Paluxy and Brazos Sulphur Nitre and Powder Manufacturing Company was read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

A bill making an appropriation for the mileage and per diem pay of the members and per diem pay of officers of the 10th Legislature was read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on Finance.

A Senate joint resolution for the payment of Confederate tax and joint resolution asking the repeal of all property exemption detail laws.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Thomas Moore was read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill appropriating 500,000 dollars as a hospital fund. Read 2nd time, substitute adopted, and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to fix the prices of articles of necessity therein mentioned, etc. was read 2nd time and made special order for Monday next 11 o'clock A. M.

A bill to amend 3rd part of Criminal Code was read 2nd time and made special order for Tuesday next 10 o'clock A. M.

A bill supplementary to and amendatory of an act to establish a Penal Code was read 2nd time and made special order for Saturday, 11 o'clock A. M. to be considered in Committee of the Whole.

The report of Judiciary Committee adversely to a bill to amend the existing laws in relation to the disposition of estates, was adopted.

Mr. Hord introduced a bill to authorize the Governor to appoint certain general officers. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill to provide for the support of families of Texan soldiers being under consideration and Mr. Quayle having moved to reconsider a vote adopting Mr. Harcourt's substitute to a bill granting land to Texas soldiers, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Senate Chamber, Friday, November 27, 1863
9 o'clock A. M.

Senate met, prayer by the Chaplain, roll called, quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported adversely on a bill to create a Board of Commerce and Manufactures.

The following bills were reported correctly engrossed:

A bill to provide for the employment of additional labor in the State Penitentiary.

A bill for relief of heirs of Thomas Moore.

A bill defining the duties of the agent of the Alabama Coushatta and Muscogee Indians.

Mr. Jowers introduced a joint resolution to provide for the preparation of a roll of honor of the citizens soldiery of the state. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on Confederate Relations.

Mr. Harcourt introduced a bill to define the boundary of the headright league of land granted to James McNair and W. E. McLain. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

A bill to further prescribe the duties of the Military Board was read 2nd time, substitute adopted, and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to provide for the families of Texan soldiers. Read 2nd time, rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

The Committee on Printing reported a contract for 2,000 copies of the Governor's message for \$144.00, binding 40 dollars, Senate furnishing paper.

Mr. Selman introduced a joint resolution relative to the contract of Short, Briscoe and Company with the Military Board. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.